

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Bentwich et al.

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Title: BIOINFORMATIALLY
DETECTABLE GROUP OF NOVEL
VIRAL REGULATORY GENES
AND USES THEREOF

AMENDMENT AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111(a)(2)

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 2, 2006 (the "Office Action"), and supplemental to the reply filed September 5, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below in accordance with the Rule of Practice.

No fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this paper, however, should any fees be deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Deposit Account No. 50-1662 referencing the above reference number.

Amendments to the Specification begin at page 2 of this response and **Remarks** begin at page 4 of this response.